

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, lines 4-5 have been amended as follows:

The present application is a continuation-in-part application of US Patent Application No. 10/227,373, now U.S. Patent No. 6,742,691 issued June 1, 2004.

Page 1, lines 11-23 have been amended as follows:

Referring to Figures 10 and 11, a conventional nail stapler includes a gun 10 and a magazine 16. The gun 10 includes a shell 11, a solenoid 12 put in the shell 11, a mandrel 13 put in the shell 11, a spring 14 compressed between an end of the solenoid 12 and a head of the mandrel 13 and a hammer 15 secured to the mandrel 13. When activated, the solenoid 12 attracts the mandrel 13 and the hammer 15 so as to punch a staple nail 17 from the magazine 16 through an outlet 18. When the magnetic force is gone, the mandrel 13 is returned by ~~means of~~ the spring 14. However, the ~~hammer~~ mandrel 13 may hit and rebound from a portion of the shell 11 so as to punch a staple by mistake as shown in Figure 6.

The present invention is therefore intended to obviate or at least alleviate the problems encountered in the prior art.

Page 2, lines 5-18 have been amended as follows:

According to the present invention, a nail stapler includes a magazine for containing nails and a gun for shooting the nails from the magazine. The gun includes a shell, a solenoid put in the shell, a mandrel put in the shell to be attracted from an original position to a punching position by ~~means of~~ the solenoid, a hammer secured to the mandrel and inserted through the solenoid, a spring for moving the mandrel to the original position from the punching position against the solenoid and a security device put in the shell for slowing down the mandrel when the mandrel is moved to the original position from the punching position by ~~means of~~ the spring.

Other ~~objects~~ objectives, advantages, and novel features of the invention will become more apparent from the following detailed description when taken in conjunction with the attached drawings.

Page 4, lines 9-11 have been amended as follows:

A hammer 41 is secured to a lower end of the mandrel 40. The hammer 41 is inserted in ~~the spring 43 and~~ the axial channel 31 of the solenoid 30. The mandrel 40 is inserted in the spring 43.

Page 4; line 21 through page 5, line 5 have been amended as follows:

The insert 50 includes a head 52 and a body 58 extending from the head 52. **The body 58 has and including** a reduced diameter. Two rings 53 are put in two grooves 51 defined in the body 58. The insert 50 is put in the shell 21. The head 52 is put in the upper space 22 while the body 58 is put in the lower space 23 through the aperture 26 so as to retain the insert 50 in position.

Referring to Figure 2, when activated, the solenoid 30 attracts the mandrel 40. Therefore, the hammer 41 is moved downwards so as to punch a staple or nail 29 from a magazine 28 through an outlet 27. The spring 43 is compressed.

Page 5, lines 7-16 have been amended as follows:

Referring to Figure 3, when not actuated, the solenoid 30 releases the mandrel 40. The mandrel 40 is moved to its original position by ~~means of~~ the spring 43.

Referring to Figure 4, as the mandrel 40 reaches its original ~~portion~~ **position**, the rings 53 are inserted in the cavity 42. The rings 53 contact the wall of the cavity 42. Friction between the rings 53 and the wall of the cavity 42 slows down the cup 44 and therefore the mandrel 40. Thus, the mandrel 40 does not rebound from the retainer 24 and does not punch a staple or nail 29 by mistake.